Saskatchewan Labour Force Statistics

November 2012

UNADJUSTED DATA

According to the Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey for the week ended November 10, 2012, there were 540,000 persons employed in Saskatchewan during November 2012, a decrease of 1,600 from October 2012 but 15,800 more than the number employed in November 2011.

Agricultural employment was 40,800 persons in November 2012, down 2,900 from the October 2012 level but 2,700 more than the November 2011 agricultural employment level of 38,100. Non-agricultural employment was 499,200 persons in November 2012. This is an increase of 1,300 from the October 2012 non-agriculture employment level of 497,900 and 13,100 more than November 2011.

The Saskatchewan unemployment rate for November 2012 was 4.0 percent. This is unchanged from the October 2012 rate and 0.7 percentage points lower than the November 2011 level of 4.7 percent.

Saskatchewan's labour force decreased by 1,800 to 562,700 persons in November 2012 from 564,500 persons in October 2012. This is 12,700 more than the November 2011 labour force of 550,000 persons.

The Saskatchewan participation rate fell 0.4 percentage points to 68.9 percent in November 2012 from 69.3 percent in October 2012. The November 2011 participation rate for Saskatchewan was 68.4 percent.

There were 22,600 persons unemployed in Saskatchewan during November 2012. This is a decrease of 200 from October 2012 and is 3,200 less than the number unemployed in November 2011.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

On a seasonally adjusted basis there were 540,400 persons employed in Saskatchewan in November 2012, down 300 from the October 2012 level of 540,700 but up 16,100 from the November 2011 employment level of 524,300 persons.

The Saskatchewan seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for November 2012 was 4.5 percent. This is a decrease of 0.2 percentage points from the October 2012 rate of 4.7 percent and 0.6 percentage points lower than the November 2011 rate of 5.1 percent.

CANADIAN DATA

Canadian employment decreased by 22,000 persons in November 2012 to 17,605,600 persons from 17,627,600 persons in October 2012. In November 2011, there were 17,316,400 persons employed in Canada.

Canada's unemployment rate in November 2012 was 6.7 percent, unchanged from October 2012. In November 2011, Canada's unemployment rate was 7.0 percent.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Canada was 7.2 percent in November 2012. This is 0.2 percentage points lower than October 2012 and 0.3 percentage points lower than the November 2011 level of 7.5 percent.

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TABLE 1

SUMMARY LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS, CANADA AND THE PRAIRIE PROVINCES

	November 2012	October 2012	November 2011	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
CANADA					
Labour Force ('000)	18,865.0	18,895.5	18,617.1	-30.5	247.9
Employed ('000)	17,605.6	17,627.6	17,316.4	-22.0	289.2
Full-Time ('000)	14,221.5	14,312.5	13,966.8	-91.0	254.7
Part-Time ('000)	3,384.0	3,315.1	3,349.5	68.9	34.5
Unemployed ('000)	1,259.4	1,267.9	1,300.7	-8.5	-41.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.7	6.7	7.0	0.0	-0.3
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	7.2	7.4	7.5	-0.2	-0.3
Participation Rate (%)	66.3	66.5	66.2	-0.2	0.1
SASKATCHEWAN					
Labour Force ('000)	562.7	564.5	550.0	-1.8	12.7
Employed ('000)	540.0	541.6	524.2	-1.6	15.8
Full-Time ('000)	443.5	452.8	435.6	-9.3	7.9
Part-Time ('000)	96.5	88.9	88.6	7.6	7.9
Unemployed ('000)	22.6	22.8	25.8	-0.2	-3.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.0	4.0	4.7	0.0	-0.7
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	4.5	4.7	5.1	-0.2	-0.6
Participation Rate (%)	68.9	69.3	68.4	-0.4	0.5
ALBERTA					
Labour Force ('000)	2,254.2	2,253.2	2,233.4	1.0	20.8
Employed ('000)	2,165.3	2,161.0	2,125.3	4.3	40.0
Full-Time ('000)	1,801.3	1,807.7	1,765.1	-6.4	36.2
Part-Time ('000)	364.0	353.3	360.2	10.7	3.8
Unemployed ('000)	88.9	92.2	108.1	-3.3	-19.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.9	4.1	4.8	-0.2	-0.9
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	4.2	4.5	5.0	-0.3	-0.8
Participation Rate (%)	72.6	72.8	73.8	-0.2	-1.2
MANITOBA					
Labour Force ('000)	664.1	663.3	656.7	0.8	7.4
Employed ('000)	633.1	630.4	624.0	2.7	9.1
Full-Time ('000)	509.4	510.2	498.6	-0.8	10.8
Part-Time ('000)	123.7	120.3	125.4	3.4	-1.7
Unemployed ('000)	31.0	32.9	32.7	-1.9	-1.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.7	5.0	5.0	-0.3	-0.3
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	5.3	5.6	5.5	-0.3	-0.2
Participation Rate (%)	68.7	68.7	68.6	0.0	0.1

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*
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TABLE 2

SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

	November 2012	October 2012	November 2011	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	562.7	564.5	550.0	-1.8	12.7
Male	304.6	306.8	296.1	-2.2	8.5
Female	258.0	257.7	253.8	0.3	4.2
15-24 Years of Age	89.9	89.6	88.8	0.3	1.1
25+ Years of age	472.8	474.8	461.2	-2.0	11.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	540.0	541.6	524.2	-1.6	15.8
Male	292.3	294.5	283.6	-2.2	8.7
Female	247.7	247.1	240.5	0.6	7.2
15-24 Years of Age	80.6	81.1	79.0	-0.5	1.6
25+ Years of age	459.4	460.5	445.2	-1.1	14.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	22.6	22.8	25.8	-0.2	-3.2
Male	12.3	12.3	12.5	0.0	-0.2
Female	10.4	10.6	13.3	-0.2	-2.9
15-24 Years of Age	9.3	8.5	9.8	0.8	-0.5
25+ Years of age	13.4	14.3	16.0	-0.9	-2.6
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	4.0	4.0	4.7	0.0	-0.7
Male	4.0	4.0	4.2	0.0	-0.2
Female	4.0	4.1	5.2	-0.1	-1.2
15-24 Years of Age	10.3	9.5	11.0	0.8	-0.7
25+ Years of age	2.8	3.0	3.5	-0.2	-0.7
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.9	69.3	68.4	-0.4	0.5
Male	75.0	75.7	74.3	-0.7	0.7
Female	62.8	62.9	62.6	-0.1	0.2
15-24 Years of Age	65.8	65.6	65.1	0.2	0.7
25+ Years of age	69.5	70.0	69.1	-0.5	0.4

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TABLE 3

SASKATCHEWAN EMPLOYED LABOUR FORCE

	November 2012	October 2012	November 2011	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
INDUSTRY ('000)					
Agriculture	40.8	43.7	38.1	-2.9	2.7
Forestry, Fishing, Mining and Oil & Gas	25.6	25.6	23.7	0.0	1.9
Utilities	6.3	5.8	5.4	0.5	0.9
Construction	47.5	47.3	40.2	0.2	7.3
Manufacturing	26.6	27.3	25.4	-0.7	1.2
Trade	82.0	82.8	86.4	-0.8	-4.4
Transportation and Warehousing	24.5	25.6	26.1	-1.1	-1.6
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate & Leasing	29.5	30.2	30.3	-0.7	-0.8
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	24.3	25.1	25.8	-0.8	-1.5
Business, Building and Other Support Services	13.2	13.8	11.5	-0.6	1.7
Educational Services	47.0	43.4	39.9	3.6	7.1
Health Care and Social Assistance	69.5	70.0	69.8	-0.5	-0.3
Information, Culture and Recreation	18.5	17.2	16.6	1.3	1.9
Accommodation and Food Services	26.5	27.8	30.0	-1.3	-3.5
Other Services	26.9	25.2	26.7	1.7	0.2
Public Administration	31.3	30.8	28.4	0.5	2.9
Total	540.0	541.6	524.2	-1.6	15.8
HOURS OF WORK ('000)					
Full-Time	443.5	452.8	435.6	-9.3	7.9
Part-Time	96.5	88.9	88.6	7.6	7.9
CLASS OF WORKER ('000)					
Employees	438.0	435.6	426.3	2.4	11.7
Public Sector	145.3	139.2	132.0	6.1	13.3
Private Sector	292.7	296.4	294.3	-3.7	-1.6
Self-Employed	102.0	106.1	97.9	-4.1	4.1

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 4

CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

	November 2012	October 2012	November 2011	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
EMPLOYMENT ('000)					
Canada	17,605.6	17,627.6	17,316.4	-22.0	289.2
Newfoundland & Labrador	231.4	234.1	222.0	-2.7	9.4
Prince Edward Island	71.5	74.1	70.7	-2.6	0.8
Nova Scotia	452.6	460.0	452.8	-7.4	-0.2
New Brunswick	346.3	352.0	350.5	-5.7	-4.2
Quebec	4,021.7	4,044.3	3,910.8	-22.6	110.9
Ontario	6,832.0	6,804.1	6,748.5	27.9	83.5
Manitoba	633.1	630.4	624.0	2.7	9.1
Saskatchewan	540.0	541.6	524.2	-1.6	15.8
Alberta	2,165.3	2,161.0	2,125.3	4.3	40.0
British Columbia	2,311.7	2,326.0	2,287.6	-14.3	24.1
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)					
Canada	6.7	6.7	7.0	0.0	-0.3
Newfoundland & Labrador	12.5	10.6	13.0	1.9	-0.5
Prince Edward Island	12.1	10.0	12.1	2.1	0.0
Nova Scotia	8.5	8.5	8.4	0.0	0.1
New Brunswick	10.7	9.9	9.1	0.8	1.6
Quebec	7.3	6.9	7.7	0.4	-0.4
Ontario	7.1	7.5	7.2	-0.4	-0.1
Manitoba	4.7	5.0	5.0	-0.3	-0.3
Saskatchewan	4.0	4.0	4.7	0.0	-0.7
Alberta	3.9	4.1	4.8	-0.2	-0.9
British Columbia	6.2	6.0	6.6	0.2	-0.4

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TABLE 5

CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	November 2012	October 2012	November 2011	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
EMPLOYMENT ('000)					
Canada	17,626.8	17,567.5	17,333.0	59.3	293.8
Newfoundland & Labrador	233.0	232.5	224.5	0.5	8.5
Prince Edward Island	73.1	72.4	72.7	0.7	0.4
Nova Scotia	454.8	457.4	454.4	-2.6	0.4
New Brunswick	349.4	349.4	352.4	0.0	-3.0
Quebec	4,038.2	4,020.0	3,929.0	18.2	109.2
Ontario	6,820.9	6,788.9	6,735.6	32.0	85.3
Manitoba	633.2	627.7	624.7	5.5	8.5
Saskatchewan	540.4	540.7	524.3	-0.3	16.1
Alberta	2,171.1	2,161.0	2,132.2	10.1	38.9
British Columbia	2,312.7	2,317.4	2,283.3	-4.7	29.4
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)					
Canada	7.2	7.4	7.5	-0.2	-0.3
Newfoundland & Labrador	12.5	11.9	13.3	0.6	-0.8
Prince Edward Island	11.4	11.7	11.2	-0.3	0.2
Nova Scotia	8.8	9.2	8.6	-0.4	0.2
New Brunswick	11.2	11.6	9.8	-0.4	1.4
Quebec	7.6	7.7	8.0	-0.1	-0.4
Ontario	7.9	8.3	7.9	-0.4	0.0
Manitoba	5.3	5.6	5.5	-0.3	-0.2
Saskatchewan	4.5	4.7	5.1	-0.2	-0.6
Alberta	4.2	4.5	5.0	-0.3	-0.8
British Columbia	6.8	6.7	7.1	0.1	-0.3

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TABLE 6

SUB-PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

(3 Month Moving Average)

	November 2012	October 2012	November 2011	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
CANADIAN CITIES UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)					
St. John's	6.1	6.9	6.8	-0.8	-0.7
Halifax	5.0	5.4	5.1	-0.4	-0.1
Saint John	8.5	8.8	6.1	-0.3	2.4
Quebec	4.2	4.9	3.8	-0.7	0.4
Montreal	7.9	8.0	7.9	-0.1	0.0
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.3	6.6	5.9	-0.3	0.4
Greater Sudbury	6.0	6.7	5.2	-0.7	0.8
Toronto	8.0	8.8	8.1	-0.8	-0.1
Winnipeg	5.0	5.7	5.5	-0.7	-0.5
Regina	3.7	4.1	3.1	-0.4	0.6
Saskatoon	5.0	4.9	5.0	0.1	0.0
Calgary	4.3	4.8	5.1	-0.5	-0.8
Edmonton	4.0	4.3	5.3	-0.3	-1.3
Vancouver	6.7	7.0	6.2	-0.3	0.5
Victoria	5.4	5.7	6.2	-0.3	-0.8
SASKATCHEWAN ECONOMIC REGIONS EMPLOYMENT ('000)					
Regina-Moose Mountain	172.1	172.6	170.1	-0.5	2.0
Swift Current-Moose Jaw	49.5	49.6	49.1	-0.1	0.4
Saskatoon-Biggar	181.8	184.1	173.4	-2.3	8.4
Yorkton-Melville	39.3	38.1	40.7	1.2	-1.4
Prince Albert & Northern	98.1	99.6	94.6	-1.5	3.5

Note: All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for July are an average of the three months ending in July (May, June and July)

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TABLE 7

SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS BY ABORIGINAL IDENTITY FOR POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER

(3 Month Moving Average)

	November 2012	October 2012	November 2011	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
TOTAL POPULATION					
Labour Force ('000)	563.4	569.0	549.8	-5.6	13.6
Employed ('000)	540.7	543.8	526.6	-3.1	14.1
Unemployed ('000)	22.7	25.2	23.2	-2.5	-0.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.0	4.4	4.2	-0.4	-0.2
Participation Rate (%)	69.1	69.9	68.5	-0.8	0.6
Employment Rate (%)	66.3	66.8	65.6	-0.5	0.7
NON-ABORIGINAL					
Labour Force ('000)	518.1	523.5	502.5	-5.4	15.6
Employed ('000)	500.7	503.8	486.0	-3.1	14.7
Unemployed ('000)	17.5	19.7	16.4	-2.2	1.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.4	3.8	3.3	-0.4	0.1
Participation Rate (%)	69.7	70.5	68.6	-0.8	1.1
Employment Rate (%)	67.3	67.9	66.3	-0.6	1.0
ABORIGINAL					
Labour Force ('000)	45.3	45.5	47.4	-0.2	-2.1
Employed ('000)	40.0	39.9	40.6	0.1	-0.6
Unemployed ('000)	5.2	5.6	6.8	-0.4	-1.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	11.6	12.2	14.3	-0.6	-2.7
Participation Rate (%)	63.3	63.7	67.5	-0.4	-4.2
Employment Rate (%)	56.0	55.9	57.9	0.1	-1.9
NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN					
Labour Force ('000)	18.6	18.5	19.3	0.1	-0.7
Employed ('000)	15.6	15.3	15.3	0.3	0.3
Unemployed ('000)	2.9	3.1	4.0	-0.2	-1.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	15.7	16.9	20.7	-1.2	-5.0
Participation Rate (%)	59.2	59.0	62.7	0.2	-3.5
Employment Rate (%)	49.9	49.0	49.8	0.9	0.1
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Labour Force ('000)	26.5	26.8	28.1	-0.3	-1.6
Employed ('000)	24.2	24.4	25.3	-0.2	-1.1
Unemployed ('000)	2.3	2.4	2.8	-0.1	-0.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.5	8.9	9.9	-0.4	-1.4
Participation Rate (%)	66.3	67.2	71.2	-0.9	-4.9
Employment Rate (%)	60.6	61.2	64.2	-0.6	-3.6

Notes:

1. The Labour Force Survey collects data on the Saskatchewan civilian, non-institutional, off-reserve population. Beginning in April 2004, questions were added to the survey allowing for the self-identification of Aboriginal identity for Saskatchewan respondents.
2. The North American Indian and Métis categories are single responses only. 'Other' is omitted due to insufficient responses.
3. All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for July are an average of the three months ending in July (May, June and July)
4. Caution should be used when interpretting results. Small sample sizes can result in large standard errors.

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